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THE following Diſpatch was this Morning received from Sir James Murray, Adjutant-General to the Forces under the Command of His Royal Highneſs the Duke of York, by the Right Honorable Henry Dundas, His Majeſty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department.

SIR, *Camphin, October 30, 1793.*

I HAVE the Honor to inform you of the Succeſs of an Attack upon Marchiennes, which, by Order of His Royal Highneſs, took Place laſt Night.

Eight Battalions were put under the Command of Major-General Kray for this Enterprize. They marched at Midnight from Orchies in Three Columns, each Column headed by Two Officers and Sixty Volunteers, ſupported by Three Hundred Men. Theſe were not permitted to load. The reſt of the Troops of the different Columns, with their Cannon, followed at ſome Diſtance. A Detachment from the Corps of Major-General Otto, poſted by Denain, marched about the ſame Time, formed in Four Columns in ſimilar Order, that the Town might be attacked at once upon all Sides. The latter Troops were diſcovered by the Enemy's Out-Poſts, and prevented from penetrating by the Oppoſition which they met with. Thoſe under General Kray, One Column of which advanced upon the High Road from Orchies, and the Two others upon the Left of it, got, about Two o'Clock in the Morning, within a ſhort Diſtance of the Town before they were perceived.

The Volunteers at the Head of the Column, which was upon the Road, fell in with a Piquet about Two Hundred Yards from the Gate, which they ſurprized, killed the greater Part of it, and purſued the reſt ſo cloſely that they entered the Place along with them. The Troops in the Town made little Reſiſtance. After being driven from the Market Place, where they had at firſt aſſembled, they retreated to a Convent near it. They there propoſed Terms of Capitulation, which General Kray conſented to, as they ſurrendered Priſoners of War, with the ſole Condition of the Officers being permitted to wear their Swords.

There are Sixteen Hundred and Twenty-nine Priſoners, Officers included, moſt of them Troops of the Line. There are likewiſe Twelve Pieces of Cannon, and Twenty-two or Twenty-three Tumbrils taken. There are ſuppoſed to have been about Three Hundred of the Enemy killed. The Loſs of Major-General Kray's Corps is between Seventy and Eighty killed and wounded. The Loſs upon Major-General Otto's Side is unknown, but it is not imagined to be conſiderable.

I have the Honor to be,
with the greateſt Reſpect,
SIR,
Your moſt obedient humble Servant,
JA. MURRAY.

Right Hon. Henry Dundas,
&c. &c. &c.

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